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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES AGREEMENT: PROGRAM AND IMPLEMENTING
CONDITIONS FOR DHEW PORTION

1. DHEW HAS ASKED FOLLOWING BE PRESENTED TO ROMANIANS
AS PROGRAM AND IMPLEMENTING CONDITIONS FOR THAT PORTION
OF THE EXCHANGES AGREEMENT OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO IT
(ARTICLE II; ART. IV.B.):

A. THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH
OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA WILL PROVIDE FOR THE
EXCHANGE OF SPECIALISTS FROM EACH COUNTRY FOR BOTH
SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM VISITS, FOR A TOTAL OF 24 MAN-
MONTHS FOR EACH SIDE ANNUALLY.

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B. SHORT-TERM VISITS SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS PERIODS OF AT LEAST ONE MONTH, EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF GROUPS, WHICH CAN BE FOR 2-3 WEEKS.

C. LONG-TERM VISITS SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS PERIODS OF AT LEAST 2 MONTHS AND NOT TO EXCEED 6 MONTHS.

D. THE PARTIES WILL ALSO FACILITATE THE EXCHANGE OF

MEDICAL PUBLICATIONS, APPROPRIATE FILMS, AND BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE MINISTRY. DETAILS OF THE SPECIFIC EXCHANGES PROVIDED FOR UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, INCLUDING NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS, AS WELL AS ANY NEW EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH, OR CHANGES IN THE MAN-MONTHS QUOTA SHALL BE AGREED UPON DIRECTLY BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE MINISTRY. -

2. IF THE QUESTION SHOULD BE RAISED, IN THE CASE OF GROUPS, TIME IS COUNTED FOR EACH PERSON IN THE GROUP, AND NOT FOR THE GROUP AS A SINGLE UNIT, I.E., A GROUP OF FOUR FOR TWO WEEKS 2 MAN-MONTHS.

3. TALKING POINTS: CHANGING THE SPECIFIC NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS TO A TOTAL OF MAN-MONTHS SERVES TWO PURPOSES:

A. UNDER THE PRESENT SYSTEM, THE US SIDE CAN FIND VERY FEW INDIVIDUALS WHO CAN LEAVE THEIR POSITIONS FOR LONG-TERM PERIODS. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE CAN POTENTIALLY SEND MORE THAN SEVEN INDIVIDUALS FOR SHORT-TERM VISITS. AS A RESULT, WE NEVER FULFILL THE LONG-TERM QUOTA AND YET TURN PEOPLE AWAY BECAUSE WE HAVE FULFILLED THE SHORT-TERM QUOTA. THE MAN-MONTHS SYSTEM WILL ENABLE US TO SEND MORE PEOPLE.

B. IN LINE WITH THE ROMANIANS' EXPRESSED INTEREST IN EXPANSION OF THE PROGRAM, THE MAN-MONTHS QUOTA SYSTEM WILL PERMIT FLEXIBILITY IN SENDING AND RECEIVING "EXPLORATORY" GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS RELATED TO POTENTIAL JOINT COLLABORATIVE AREAS OF RESEARCH. THESE ARE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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USUALLY SHORT-TERM VISITS AND COULD POTENTIALLY BE TERRIBLY RESTRICTED IF THE "INDIVIDUALS FOR SHORT-TERM VISITS" STILL APPLIED.

4. THE 24 MAN-MONTHS QUOTA WILL BE NEGOTIABLE, PERHAPS ON A BI-ANNUAL (EVERY 2 YEARS) BASIS, DEPENDING ON THE CHANGING NEEDS OF THE PROGRAM. THE TOTAL OF 24 HAS BEEN DECIDED UPON BY THE US SIDE AS A REASONABLE

AMOUNT, BUT A LESSER AMOUNT ALSO WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE
IF THE ROMANIANS PREFER. INGERSOLL

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